

ABOUT A BATTLE FLAG.

Romance of Wilson Creek in Which a Missourian Was the Hero.

Dr. Thomas E. Staples Tells the Story of Sigel's Silken Banner.

Perhaps there was not in all the service of the late Southern Confederacy a braver or more faithful soldier than Dr. Thos. E. Staples, now a resident of Nelson, Saline county, Mo. He had seen service in the Mexican war, and when he shouldered his gun in 1861, he was no stranger to the smell of powder and the clash of arms.

Doctor Staples was in Sedalia last Friday, and the reporter had an interesting conversation with him in reference to a celebrated exploit in which he was the hero. This was nothing more nor less than the capture of General Sigel's battle flag at the bloody and evermore memorable battle of Wilson Creek, August 10, 1861.

Staples, soon after the surrender of Fort Sumter, organized an independent cavalry company in and about Georgetown, Pettis county, and became its captain. The command was well mounted, well equipped and composed of many of the best men in Central Missouri. They had great confidence in the courage, capacity and experience of their leader, and were ardently attached to the cause they espoused.

The morning of the 10th of August, 1861, had hardly broken above the rocky crests of the Ozark mountains when Sigel's heavy guns, planted on the surrounding hills, sent their salute of shells into the sleeping camp of the Southerners, and practically opened one of the deadliest combats in the whole history of the Civil war.

The surprised soldiers of Generals McCulloch and Price rose from their rude beds and fell into ranks as rapidly as possible. Not a moment was to be lost. The hillsides and valleys, still dim in the dawn, were already clamorous with battle echoes.

The conflict increased in fury every moment, and men in blue and gray were falling within a few feet of one another, thick and fast. The gallant Lyon was shot from his horse in the final charge and the Federals were soon in full retreat. Many started to Rolla. Sigel, with a small escort, dashed toward Springfield, ten miles away.

Captain Staples and a part of his company gave the redoubtable "Dutch" cavalryman hot pursuit. They pressed him so closely that the color bearer thrust Sigel's battle flag into the headquarters' wagon, which was soon run upon by Capt. Staples who, personally, captured the precious trophy and bore it back in triumph to his proud commander.

This flag was something peculiarly sacred in the estimation of Sigel. But a short while before it had been presented to him by loyal ladies of St. Louis. It was of costly silk and cunning workmanship. Mrs. Frank P. Blair had made the presentation address in the presence of a distinguished gathering of soldiers and civilians and its now famous recipient had sworn to carry it in the forefront of victory and glory. Its loss was nothing less than lamentable.

The trophy was generously turned over to Captain Staples as his personal property, and he thereupon conceived the idea of presenting it to President Jefferson Davis as a memento of the first great Confederate victory in the West.

With that purpose in view, he obtained leave of absence to visit Richmond, and took the flag with him. Upon reaching the Confederate capital, he sought an audience with Mr. Davis, time and again, but that gentleman was just then busily and seriously engaged in important official matters from which he could not divert his attention.

Finding that an interview with the president could not be obtained, Captain Staples gave the flag to General Tom Harris, who proposed to present it to Secretary Judah P. Benjamin. This scheme was successfully carried out.

About that time and many years afterward, Mr. Benjamin and Captain Staples carried on a personal correspondence in reference to the silken trophy.

The great southern secretary has long been dead. The last dim echo of the war has died away. Richmond has risen to glorious beauty and prosperity from the ashes and debris of destruction. The "conquered banner" has been folded away in the dusty recesses of the war department, or is kept as an honorable heirloom by the children of those who fought and perished beneath its once inspiring stars and bars. Sigel's silken battle flag which fell into the hands of Captain Staples, under the circumstances so

imperfectly narrated, has been lost in the changes of thirty years, but the gallant captain still has, at his little home in Nelson, the letters of compliment and commendation which he received from Mr. Benjamin.

MORE NEW UNIFORMS.

The "Chicago" House Inmates Scooped by the Police Saturday Morning.

Eight Main street courtesans were summoned into the presence of Recorder Rauck Saturday morning to answer the charge of plying an unholy and unvirtuous vocation.

Six of these females constitute the proprietress and inmates of the well known "Chicago" house on West Main. The manageress, Blanche Boykins, was fined \$25, and the inmates, Maud Jones, Nora Harris, Gertie Scott, Frankie Little and Ena Williams, were fined \$12.50 each.

Two "roomers", Belle Dent and Clara Kellogg, were also fined \$12.50 each.

These women protested against the payment of their monthly "rent," before the month had expired, and intimated that the new "coppers" must be very extravagant and duds to want so many new uniforms.

They all paid their "rent," or arranged for the payment of it, nevertheless, and went their way to sin some more.

The women are \$100 loser by the transaction and the city that much the gainer.

The city marshal has evidently rendered material assistance to the ways and means committee in its endeavor to devise ways and means of raising more revenue.

When other remedies fail to relieve coughs and colds, Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup will effect a permanent cure. Obviously because it is the best remedy.

A WILD IRISHMAN.

He Fights a Policeman and Defies the Court.

Officer Wade Wilfong found a drunken man in an alley near the union depot Friday night who was amusing himself cursing things in general and making Rome howl in particular. Wade could not understand the occasion for so much consternation. He thought at first that the Donnellybrook Fair had opened in Sedalia, but upon investigation he found it to be one lone Irishman trying to instigate a riot with himself. Unlike the proverbial Chicago policeman, Wade did not approach the solitary disturber and command him to disperse, but instead collared him and started for the station house. After a fierce contest the "rioter" was locked up and he amused himself and the other city charges the rest of the night shouting imprecations about the colored officer. When brought into court this morning, he had not got over his madness yet, and was ready for a fight. He gave his name as Pat Graney, but it should have been Gamey Pat. When the court informed him that if he was not ready for trial he must give bond for his appearance or go below. Pat sassed back in a characteristic manner and with a rich brogue and told the judge that the did not care a damn what the court did with him. As it made no difference to Pat, the judge fined him \$25 for contempt and the beleaguered Hibernian will wear a ball and chain and pound rock for the city for twenty-five days.

A. G. Walters, a West Virginian, was captured last night by Officer Wharton as he was trying to get out of town on a freight. Walters appeared to be more unfortunate than criminal and was granted a stay of execution on his fine to get out of town.

DAVID AND MOLLIE.

After Due Deliberation They Decide to Paddle the Canoe Together.

And it came to pass that David and Mollie, whose surnames are Eppleand Harris, respectively, bided themselves from their Longwood homes to Sedalia. They were on marriage bent, at least Mollie was you can bet. David seemed to be a little shy of having the nuptial knot closed down on him, all of a sudden. When first observed, the couple were at the north approach of the court house campus. David appeared to be in deep contemplation and was only awakened from his reverie at times by Mollie shaking him. Evidently, David was undecided. He could not make up his mind to something but his companion was doing her utmost to assist him to do it.

After arguing the point some time,

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they applied at the office of Recorder Pilkington for the proper papers, after getting which, Judge T. B. Hoy with the most approved elat, cut loose Hymen's craft and set it sailing, with David and Mollie as crew, upon the troubled sea of matrimony. And to them THE BAZOO wishes a safe journey and a heavenly harbor when life's voyage shall have ended and they pull into port.

SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTY.

The Jury Gives Messerly That Many of Ferrell's Dollars for Damage Done.

The case of Charles E. Messerly vs. Geo. W. Ferrell for \$10,000 damages for injuries sustained at the hands of the defendant, was given to the jury Friday evening. The jury returned a verdict Saturday morning for damages in the amount of \$650.

The history of the case is familiar to all Sedalians, hence its recital here would be superfluous.

Yesterday evening Mr. Ferrell gave a check for \$650 which was accepted by Mr. Messerly's attorneys in payment of the judgment. It is to be hoped that Sedalia will not have another such case within the next generation at least. The lessons taught both of the gentlemen in this case, will no doubt be useful as long as life shall last.

The following are the entries made upon the court docket at Saturday's session: Charles E. Messerly vs. George W. Ferrell; damages; jury again retire and return verdict for plaintiff for \$650.

Thomas W. Bast vs. city of Sedalia; damages; demurrer sustained; plaintiff has during Monday to file amended petition; defendant has during the term to file answer to same.

C. H. Kaupp vs. J. B. Kelsey, et al; equity; by leave defendant amend demurrer to third amended petition; demurrer taken up, heard and overruled and judgment for plaintiff.

Sedalia Gas Light Co. vs. James E. Hall; mechanics' lien; continued on application and at costs of defendant.

Lillie E. Smith, et al; ex parte; partition; report of sale of sheriff of Chariton county approved; G. W. Barnett allowed fee as attorney for \$104.60.

W. J. Hurley vs. Missouri Pacific railway company; damages; motion for new trial overruled; defendant files bill of exceptions; defendant files appeal bond in sum of \$300 which is approved and appeal granted to the Kansas City court of appeals.

Samuel Stahl vs. C. W. Robbins et al; mechanics' lien; continued on application and at costs of defendants.

A. E. Stuart vs. J. T. Worley; injunction; continued on application and at costs of plaintiff.

John M. Goodnight vs. A. B. Dempsey; appeal; judgment for plaintiff by consent for \$40; referee allowed \$15 for his services.

Margaret Fleming vs. Kansas City; damages; defendant files motions for new trial and in arrest of judgment.

Board of commissioners of Sheridan county, Kansas, vs. C. D. Minter et al; garnishment; of J. W. Allen; garnishment; Joseph Minter files answer to interrogations.

Ordered that the court adjourn until Monday, May 15, 1893, at 10 o'clock.

TEACHERS' CONTEST.

Miss Shelton Still Leads But Hundreds of Votes for Other Contestants Received.

The teacher's contest is still booming and the interest has not in the least abated. In point of fact the nearer vacation draws nigh the more interest is taken and the friends of the teachers are growing more zealous in their behalf. The following is the score up to date:

Miss Emma Shelton	3196
" Floy Jackson	2093
" Hallie Post	1644
" Bettie Hopkins	1280
" Lida Burress	410
" Hattie Gold	435
" Eliza Nichols	421
" Birdie Shaffer	300
" Mattie Letts	199
" Mrs. J. B. Wilcox	105
" Lilly Berry	104
" Mrs. Carrie Bagby	112
" Bessie Williams	196
" Hattie Van Antwerp	321

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To the Doctors: Come to Sedalia, and you will be well treated. The people of Sedalia are a forgiving set. Don't be afraid of offending them. We have curiosities for you to view. Joe Peltier and Col. Henry D. Hill, are here. We have some more of the animal kingdom besides, Ira Hindale's jack-rabbit, preachers publishing newspapers and a mayor who weighs a ton and a lot of police who never sleep. The latter is a medical problem for your solution.

Cure for rheumatism or neuralgia. Buy a 85 cent bottle of Salvation Oil and use it according to directions. It will cure the worst case.

SEDALIANS WILL BE THERE

Annual Convention of the State League of Building and Loan Associations.

Active preparations are under way for the annual meeting of the State League of Building and Loan associations, which will convene in Kansas City, Tuesday next, and will continue two days. E. H. Phelps of the Prudential, L. C. Ferree of the Mutual Home and Savings and George Peake of the Benefit Building and Loan association have been appointed a committee to look after the entertainment of the visitors.

Two sessions will be held each day, either at Knights of Pythias hall, corner of Seventh and Main streets, or at parlor S, the Midland, which will be the headquarters. President A. A. B. Woerheide of St. Louis will deliver the opening address, Mayor W. S. Cowherd will deliver an address of welcome, and Henry Fairbach of St. Louis will respond.

The league includes over 400 local associations in the state. About half of them will be represented at the coming meeting, which will be the first ever held in Kansas City.

THE THEORY OF STORMS.

Prof. Redfield Finds It in the Great September Gale.

In the year 1821 a severe storm prevailed along the Eastern coast, which for many years was known as the "great September gale." It held that title until September, 1869, when another and more remarkable one occurred, which rather disturbed its claim to the honor. It was a little time after the first storm that William C. Redfield, the meteorologist, while making a journey in Massachusetts, was struck by a curious fact, says the Popular Science Monthly. He noticed that in Massachusetts that the trees prostrated by the wind all lay with their heads to the southeast, showing that the gale there was from the northwest, but in Connecticut the trees blown down by the same storm lay head to the northwest, showing that the gale had been a southeast one.

He ascertained, moreover, that when the wind was blowing southeast in Middletown, his home, it was northwest at a place not seventy miles from there. It was then that the idea flashed across his mind that the gale was a progressive whirlwind. That was a great thought. It was a flash of perception as came to Newton when he connected the falling apple with the planets in space. It was such an insight into the meaning of a fact as James Watt had when he saw the possibilities of the force that was rattling the lid of the kettle on his mother's fire.

The development of that idea was destined to put Redfield in the ranks of the great scientific thinkers of this day. He made this storm the basis of his investigations, following his researches into its movements by a careful collection of facts in relation to others like it. For ten years he studied and examined and compared facts before he published his theory of storms.

Bait in Angling.

A scientific paper tells of a new fishing device whereby the minnow used for bait in angling for large fish is kept alive and safe from the predatory denizens of the deep, who strike at it but catch hooks instead. It is incased in a glass tube, through which the water circulates freely. The application is new, but the idea of carrying bait in a bottle is as old as angling is. There is one improvement to be noted, however, as under the old plan the bait was sure to give out sooner or later, depending on the size of the bottle and the ardor of the fisherman.

Not Sound.

A New Yorker forwarded to one of his friends in the West a set of Colonel Ingersoll's works. Then he sent a telegram informing him what he had done, and expressing the hope that the books would arrive safe and sound. A few days afterward he received a telegram from his friend—who was an orthodox Presbyterian—which ran this way: "Books arrived safe, but not sound."

A RARE OLD RELIC.

The Days of James Buchanan Recalled—Ancient Democratic Electoral Ticket.

Mrs. J. D. Clayton, visiting at 1315 Kentucky street, and Misses Kate O'Bannon and Clara Nickols paid THE BAZOO a call Friday afternoon and watched the way the DAILY BAZOO is evolved from the mammoth presses of the office, for "the people now on earth."

Mrs. Clayton has, in the way of a relic, a rare old printing, which the BAZOO reproduces to-day. It is as follows, and bears the marks of pretty rough usage and is yellow with age, being thirty-eight years old:

DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

FOR PRESIDENT, JAMES BUCHANAN, OF PENNSYLVANIA.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT, JOHN C. BRECKINRIDGE, OF KENTUCKY.

For Electors at Large, AUGUSTUS M. HERRINGTON, CHARLES H. CONSTABLE.

For District Electors, 1st. MERRITT L. JOSLYN. 2d. HUGH MAHER. 3d. MILTON T. PETERS. 4th. ROBERT HOLLOWAY. 5th. JOHN P. RICHMOND. 6th. SAMUEL W. MOULTON. 7th. ORLANDO B. FICKLIN. 8th. WILLIAM A. J. SPARKS. 9th. JOHN A. LOGAN.

For Governor, WILLIAM A. RICHARDSON. For Lieutenant Governor, RICHARD J. HAMILTON.

For Secretary of State, WILLIAM H. SNYDER. For Auditor of State, SAMUEL K. CASEY.

For State Treasurer, JOHN MOORE. For Superintendent Public Instruction, JOHN H. ST. MATTHEW.

For Congress, ISAAC N. MORRIS. For Congress, (To fill Col Richardson's vacancy.) JACOB C. DAVIS.

For Prosecuting Attorney, CALVIN A. WARREN.

For Representatives, SAMUEL HOLMES, MOSES M. BANE.

For Circuit Clerk, THOMAS W. MACFALL.

For Sheriff, JOHN P. CADOGAN, For Coroner, THADEUS MONROE.

FOR CONVENTION.

Mrs. Clayton's husband (she is now a widow) first voted for Martin Van Buren for president, and continued to vote the democratic ticket up to his death, some few years ago. At the time he voted the foregoing ticket, he being in Quincy, Ill., there was, as you will see from the ticket, only nine presidential electors in the now great state of Illinois. Last year they gave Cleveland twenty-four votes in the electoral college.

Quincy, which is now a city of considerable importance, was then quite a village, with no railroads and no metropolitan airs, such as are assumed at the present time. The C. B. & Q. was completed and trains was running about three years later.

Mrs. Clayton also possesses a copy of the Quincy Herald of the 9th of March, 1857, giving a full account of the inauguration of President Buchanan, edited and published by William A. Richards.

Those old papers are quite interesting to investigators of bygone history, and the BAZOO regrets that, owing to the numerous advertisements and news matter in this issue, it is unable to give the contents of the Herald more in detail.

A Bull's Obituary.

It may be of interest to admirers and owners of the gazelle-eyed Jersey, to learn that I lost, by death, a few days since the finely bred Jersey bull Ashantee Prince, 18,441. I bought this high bred animal from the noted Howland herd, at Niles, Ohio. His dam Lady Bountifier 17,846 was imported from the Island of Jersey, and sold in America, for the snug little sum of \$1,500. She was shown in 1891 at Detroit Exposition, winning first prize. His sire, King of Ashantee, 6677, was sold at auction when one year old, at Madison Square Garden, N. Y., for \$5,600 at that time the highest price ever paid for a Jersey bull. The paternal grand-dam of Ashantee's Prince, was the great Camassie 11874 well known on both sides of the Atlantic, and adjudged the champion for beauty and individual excellence over the entire Island of Jersey for five consecutive years.

H. B. McCUBBIN.

Coughing Leads to Consumption. Kemp's Balsam stops the cough at once.